DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



October 24, 2006

ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 1-76-06

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS ALL COUNTY FOOD STAMP COORDINATORS ALL COUNTY FOOD STAMP EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING COORDINATORS

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
[] State Law Change
[] Federal Law or Regulation
Change
[] Court Order
[] Clarification Requested by
One or More Counties
[X] Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT:

FOOD STAMP EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING (FSET) 100 PERCENT

FUNDS ALLOCATION FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2007

REFERENCE: MANUAL OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES,

DIVISION 63, SECTIONS 63-407

This letter transmits to counties the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2007 allocation for the Food Stamp Employment and Training (FSET) program. For FFY 2007, California has been granted a federal FSET allocation of \$7,955,102, which includes \$808,000 that has been heldback to cover the State's administrative costs and to provide workers' compensation coverage for FSET participants. This allocation consists of 100 percent unmatched federal funds that are to be used in administering FSET. Twenty-four counties have indicated their intent to operate FSET in FFY 2007. FSET dollars have been apportioned among these twenty-four counties based on their average monthly caseload for calendar year 2005. Please refer to the attached list, which shows the distribution of the 100 percent federal FSET funds among the twenty-four counties.

If the cost of a county's FSET program exceeds its 100 percent federal allocation, costs for operating FSET components will be split at a 50-percent federal, 50-percent county ratio. Participant expenses for transportation and ancillary costs are reimbursed by the county with 50 percent federal cost sharing. Counties are reminded that participant reimbursement for dependent care costs are limited to the actual amount paid or the Regional Market Rate (RMR), whichever is lowest. Dependent care costs paid by the county which are in excess of this limit must be paid with 100 percent county dollars. Current RMR information for your county can be obtained at www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/cd/ap/index/aspx.

When all county FSET plans have been reviewed and approved by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS), the Department will compile the counties' programmatic and budgetary information into the State's FFY 2007 FSET plan. The

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State's FSET plan must be submitted to the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) for review and final approval.

Counties are reminded to submit their FSET plans and FSET expense claims in a timely manner. County costs that are in excess of the 100 percent federal allocation are tracked by CDSS against the planned FSET expenditures and delays in FSET plan approval or expense claim submission may affect FNS's final approval of the State's plan or FSET allocation.

Therefore, counties should begin preparing a cost analysis of their FFY 2007 FSET program. The handbook and template to be used by counties in completing their FSET plans will be issued shortly.

If you have any questions, please contact Robert Nevins at (916) 654-1408 or by e-mail at robert.nevins@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By RICHTON YEE, Chief Food Stamp Branch

Attachment

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FFY 2007 FSET Preliminary Allocation					
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	Average		FSET		
	Monthly Caseload	% to	100 % Federal		
County	Calendar Year 2005	Total	Grant Allocation		
ALAMEDA	12,736	2.87%	\$205,351		
HUMBOLDT	4,395	0.99%	\$70,856		
KERN	22,495	5.07%	\$362,687		
LOS ANGELES	199,561	45.02%	\$3,217,610		
MARIN	2,172	0.49%	\$35,028		
MENDOCINO	3,269	0.74%	\$52,717	}	
MONTEREY	6,364	1.44%	\$102,604		
ORANGE	21,611	4.88%	\$348,443		
RIVERSIDE	18,149	4.09%	\$292,617		
SACRAMENTO	25,880	5.84%	\$417,284		
SAN BERNARDINO	32,998	7.44%	\$532,045		
SAN DIEGO	18,691	4.22%	\$301,365		
SAN FRANCISCO	16,923	3.82%	\$272,862		
SAN JOAQUIN	11,691	2.64%	\$188,491		
SAN LUIS OBISPO	2,424	0.55%	\$39,080		
SAN MATEO	2,546	0.57%	\$41,046		
SANTA BARBARA	4,913	1.11%	\$79,211		
SANTA CLARA	14,346	3.24%	\$231,316	}	
SANTA CRUZ	3,403	0.77%	\$54,868		
SHASTA	4,500	1.02%	\$72,550	***************************************	
SONOMA	4,699	1.06%	\$75,759		
TRINITY	323	0.07%	\$5,217		
VENTURA	7,028	1.59%	\$113,310		
YOLO	2,157	0.49%	\$34,785		
TOTALS	443,272	100.00%	\$7,147,102		